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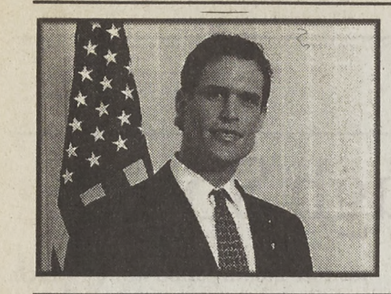

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Brooks denied extension of medical leave

By DYLAN MCGRATH
HORNET NEWS EDITOR

Sacramento State has denied Suzanne Brooks' latest request for extension of medical leave, in effect terminating her position with the university.

Brooks had been on medical leave from her position as Director of the Multi-Cultural Center since March 30, 1994.

According to Dean of Faculty and Staff Affairs David Wagner, Brooks, whose leave expired Sept. 15, asked for another extension in the first week of September, but he recommended to Vice President of Student Affairs George Wayne that the leave not be extended.

"The position of permanent director of the Multi-Cultural Center has been vacant for 18 months," Wagner said. "The university felt that it was time to provide stable, long-term leadership for the center."

"We decided that it (extending Brooks' leave) would be incompatible with the goals of the university," Wayne said.

According to Wayne, his recommendation that personnel not extend Brooks' leave of absence prompted CSUS President Donald Gerth to remove Brooks from the university's management plan.

According to Wagner, Brooks has 21 days from the time of refusal to request reconsideration of the decision. He said she has yet to request reconsideration and would not speculate on whether he thought she would.

Brooks initially requested a 30-day medical leave on March 30, 1994. The university continued to pay Brooks through May 1994, when she requested catastrophic leave, designed for employees with an illness or injury that has totally incapacitated them from work.

Brooks was quoted by the *Sacramento Bee* in April 1994 as saying that her illness was related to the stress of a funding investigation by the university after she told the Associated Students, Inc. budget committee that she loaned money from the Multi-Cultural Center's travel fund to students. The resulting investigation found that no laws had been broken.

Wayne said last week's decision not to extend Brooks' leave was based primarily on the belief that the absence of a permanent director was affecting the long-term planning of the Multi-

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Survivor of Cambodian holocaust visits CSUS

By LEON WYATT
HORNET STAFF WRITER

Dith Pran, New York Times photojournalist and subject of the award winning movie "The Killing Fields," spoke to CSUS faculty and students on the south lawn Thursday about the Cambodian Human Rights Crisis.

Pran, who survived the Cambodian holocaust under the regime of the Khmer Rouge that took the lives of between one to two million Cambodians between 1975 and 1978, talked about the reasons and events that allowed the murderous Khmer Rouge to come to power.

"I don't want to see this happen again," Pran said. "After the Jewish holocaust the world said this would never happen again. And then it happened in Cambodia.

"When the Khmer Rouge came to power Cambodian society went back to the year zero. We had to learn how to revert to prehistoric living conditions. We had to learn how to walk barefoot. We had to learn how to wash ourselves in rice paddies with no soap," Pran said. "Under the Khmer you worked whether you were eight or you were 100."

In response to Pran's hour-long speech, History Professor Frank Kofsky said, "The facts in his account are accurate, but he was very diplomatic in not condeming the U.S. for its role in the Khmer Rouge coming to power."

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Dith Pran speaks to students and faculty Thursday about the devastation and massacre his country endured under the Khmer Rogue.

Bookstore gets complaints about textbook availability

By LEON WYATT
HORNET STAFF WRITER

Many Sacramento State students and faculty members have complained about problems with availability or delays in obtaining textbooks from the CSUS Foundation's Hornet Bookstore this semester.

Journalism and Sociology classes are among those that have been affected by shortages of required texts.

To some it has created minor problems, others have experienced problems on a larger scale.

Sociology Professor Dean Dorn said a few students had problems acquiring a text for his Sociology 8 class.

"I checked with the bookstore," Dorn said. "They said they had stocked the 65 copies I had requested. What I think probably happened was a few people bought them planning on taking the class and then dropped. It could have been a few students picked them up by mistake and didn't return them. This is the first time it has ever happened."

Journalism Professor Shirley Biagi reported two of her classes experienced a two-week delay in being able to obtain textbooks.

"I do know when school started they weren't there and that affected about 65-70 students," Biagi said. "So when I asked the bookstore why they weren't there, they said it was the publishers fault because they hadn't shipped them by a fast enough method to get there in time. But when I talked to the publisher, the publisher said if the bookstore knew they were cutting the schedule so close they should have requested they be shipped by a faster method."

Biagi also said this was the first time she had ever experienced problems with the bookstore.

Doris Gorin, the textbook manager of the Bookstore, said there are a variety of reasons textbook shortages occasionally occur. One is that enrollment exceeds the original number of books requested by the professor. Another reason is sections are added by other instructors using the same textbook. Often students will purchase a book in anticipation of adding the class, thus taking one that was originally targeted for enrolled students and then fail to return it for a refund. The bookstore considers historical records of sales when determining quantity to order and those trends can sometimes change. Sometimes a publisher can have an out of stock situation and must reprint books before they are available to be shipped to stores.

"I think anytime you are dealing with over 4,000 titles there's going to be a few problems. I can't be 100 percent, unfortunatley, but I try," Gorin said. "I think any semester things can happen. I see it going in trends, I see it

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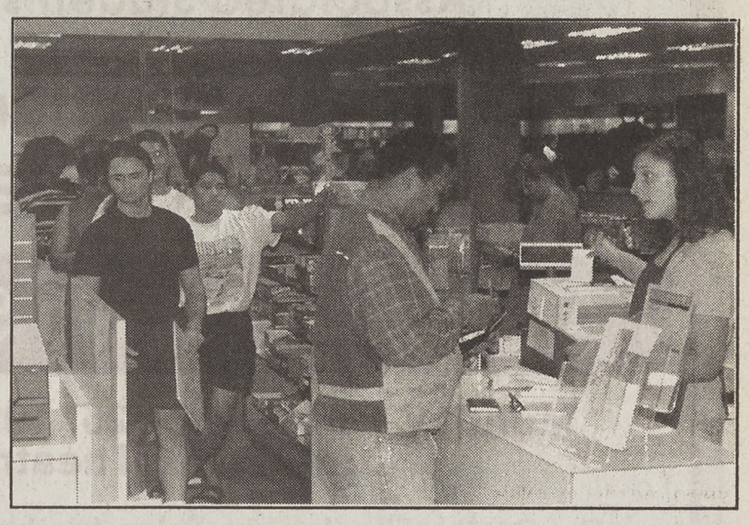

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Students wait in long lines to pay the cashier for required textbooks.

Health insurance plan available at Sac State

By MATT JOYCE
HORNET STAFF WRITER

Most students find it hard enough paying for tuition, books, and other school related expenses, let alone decent health insurance. As health insurance costs increase, so does the number of students without insurance.

In an effort to ease the burden of health care costs, Associated Students, Inc. continues to offer students an accident and injury insurance plan that includes a wide variety of medical benefits at an affordable price.

The insurance plan for CSUS students is meant to supplement the basic services provided by the Student Health Center. The insurance is available to all CSUS students regularly enrolled in at least one unit. Outreach, extension students, and some graduate students working solely on their theses are not eligible..

The insurance program offers a wide range of coverage and many options to fit each student's needs. Eligible dependents, the insured student's spouse and/or children, can be covered at an additional cost.

Emergencies such as broken bones, major illnesses, overnight hospital stays, emergency room visits, and treatment by a physician or surgeon are all covered. Other benefits of this insurance plan include: maternity care, chiropractic care, alcohol and drug treatment programs, and mental health care.

Rita Tyk, an administrative assistant to the ASI Board and director of the student accident and injury insurance plan, repeatedly emphasized the importance of coverage, whether through ASI or another plan. With insurance, a major injury like a ski accident doesn't turn into a financial disaster.

"The insurance plan's cost is quite reasonable compared with other insurance programs," Tyk said. In fact, some private insurance plans cost up to twice as much as ASI's plan.

The big savings in the student plan comes from a combination of factors. The relatively healthy population (college students), the use of preferred providers, and the utilization of the Student Health Center as a starting point and clearinghouse for most claims, all help keep the costs down.

"We benefit from one of the best student health centers in the state," Tyk pointed out. "They've got a full staff including nurses, doctors, and even a psychiatrist."

The two plans available to students differ in cost and amount of coverage available:

-A full year of coverage under plan A costs a single student $460. The plan has a $150 deductible (insured must spend this amount before coverage begins), a $50,000 maximum for each injury or illness, and covers 90 percent of eligible expenses if a preferred provider is used.

-A year's worth of coverage under plan B costs $340. This plan has a $500

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ASI filling open positions

By ERIC HARRIS
HORNET STAFF WRITER

With less than half of the board positions presently filled, Tuesday's Associated Students, Inc. Board of Directors meeting passed rather quietly and only the most immediate issues were addressed.

After roll call, the Executive Director of ASI, Carol Ackerson, addressed the board concerning the eligibilty of board members.

She stated that since Amy Sharp, who was elected Executive Vice President last April, refused to give Ackerson permission to access her grades, the Executive Director had no other choice but to declare Sharp ineligible to serve on the board.

ASI President J.P. Werlin said, "The Amy Springer Sharp issue is over."

Sharp was unavailable for comment, but has said previously that she is waiting for a grade appeal.

At this moment, Werlin is interviewing candidates for four general election positions on the ASI Board that have been vacated. The status of another director, Shu-Wai Chow from Arts and Sciences, is also undecided. Chow submitted his resignation Tuesday to Werlin, but he and Werlin have said they are going to discuss the matter before any final decisions are made.

The board also approved plans to purchase three new computers for the ASI offices. Larissa Mackenzie, who has devoted the most time to the matter and is ASI's unofficial "computer guru," advised the board about what type of computers the offices would need, where they should be purchased, and how much money would be needed. Mackenzie said that the computers will be purchased sometime soon and that they will cost $5,500.

Mackenzie also announced the creation of two new pages on the World Wide Web where information about ASI can be accessed and persons can

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Green Thunder Rally Today

A Football Rally put on by Green Thunder in conjunction with the CSUS Foundation will be held in the Library Quad at noon today. The band and cheerleaders, along with Coach John Volek and football players will attend.

On Saturday, a free BBQ will be held before the game from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Students get in the game free and the BBQ by showing a current CSUS ID.

Green Thunder and the Athletics Department are holding the BBQ at the Field to thank students for passing the referendum. Hot dogs, chips and Coke will be served by the CSUS Foundation. Green Thunder will be giving out their T-Shirts.

"Get there early because the T-Shirts will go fast," said Green Thunder Director Christine Adams.

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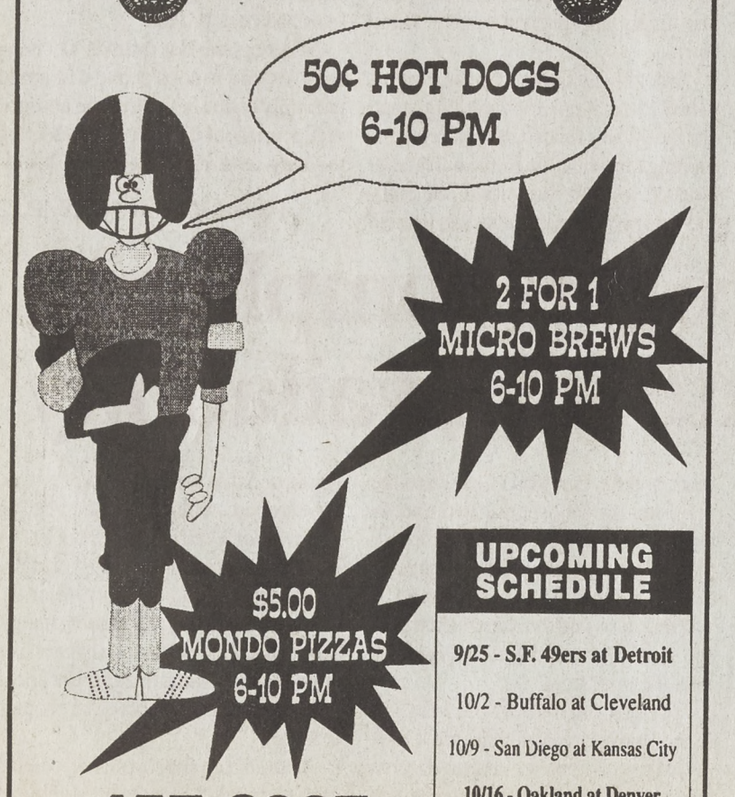

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Cultural Center.

Student Activities Cultural Affairs Director Leonard Valdez, who has been acting as interim director of the center since June 1994, is operating on a month-to-month basis, preventing him from establishing any long-term goals or programs, Wayne said.

"The university has a mission, a Multi-Cultural Center and someone who is not there," Wayne said. "And somebody needs to be there."

Wayne said Valdez will likely remain interim director of the center for at least three months, giving Brooks a window of opportunity to pursue reconsideration if she chooses.

"The rights of the employee have to be considered as well as the needs of the university," Wayne said.

Wayne said that Valdez will likely be appointed acting director of the Multi-Cultural Center next semester for a six-month period while a search is conducted to find a permanent replacement. Wayne said he hopes Valdez will be a candidate for the permanent position.

Valdez said that he has enjoyed working with the Multi-Cultural Center but would be willing to return to Student Activites if asked.

Bookstore: Student increase blamed for shortage

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happening in the publishing industry when I'm dealing with publishers. All of a sudden one year you'll have a really bad year with one publisher who can't fill the demand for the books. And I think likewise you might have trends changing in terms of enrollment and in terms of demand for the book."

Gorin referred to the CSUS class size summary to make her point. The first day of instruction there were 21,343 students enrolled at CSUS, by the end of the third week of instruction this figure had climbed to 22,662. This was an increase of 1,319 students suddenly also needing textbooks, and making demands on a supply that was ordered on the basis of how many students were enrolled before the semester started.

Gorin said that another problem is that faculty members are supposed to order textbooks by April 1, for the fall semester, and around 15 percent of the instructors didn't place their orders for textbooks until August.

"We're here to provide the books and we want to have the books available for the students," Gorin said.

"It's very important to us. The student is our customer and likewise for the professors, because obviously they need the books in order to teach their classes. So I think it is very important for us to fill that demand. If we can't do it initially on that basis, we will do it on a re-order basis."

Gorin outlined the policy they follow in response to book shortages.

First they try to get information from faculty regarding additional needs. The Bookstore monitors all out of stocks via Casper to see if more are needed. As students report shortages at the text counter enrollments are then checked and adjustments made immediately where needed. Special reserve orders can be made by students and then a copy of that book is held in the students name.

The bookstore accesses its used-book wholesalers first because they respond much faster, and are able to make quicker deliveries than publishers. All reorders are treated on a rush basis. And finally refunds are re-shelved on a daily basis.

Nancy Pennebaker, special assistant to the executive director of the CSUS Foundation, said the recent problems are not caused by the bookstore looking to turn a higher profit.

"The whole reason the CSUS foundation was originally founded was to run the bookstore," Pennebaker said. "It's a non-profit organization to serve the students at CSUS."

Health: Student input lead to more programs

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deductible, a $20,000 maximum for each injury or illness, and pays 80 percent of eligible expenses when a preferred provider is used.

Each year Tyk works on securing the best possible coverage at the lowest premiums. For the past several years, United Insurance Company has carried the ASI insurance plan.

Tyk encourages student input and recommendations concerning the insurance plan. Over the course of the year she gathers requests and input from the Health Center and students, then uses this information to add new dimensions to the plan's benefits and coverage.

Student input from a few years ago for more holistic approaches to treatment, resulted in the availability of acupuncture and substance abuse rehabilitation programs.

Like all health plans, the student insurance plan does have some exemptions. The policy, as the information brochure states, does not cover "pre-existing illnesses, injuries and congenital conditions which had their inception prior to the effective date of coverage." The guidelines and all exemptions are clearly outlined in the plan's informational brochure.

All questions and comments concerning the student insurance plan should be directed to Rita Tyk at 278-6784. Information and application packets are available on the third floor of the University Union. Separate dental and vision plans are also offered to CSUS students. Information about these programs can be obtained by calling the Alumni Insurance Agency and Administrators at 1-800-726-AAIA.

ASI: CSSA discussion put off until next meeting

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correspond with board members. The address is http://www.csus.edu\asihome.html.

The budget of $31,500 for Green Thunder was also approved. The organization, created from the success of April's ASI athletic initiative and developed to promote student attendance at athletic events, will be giving away T-shirts and performing other subsidiary functions at this Saturday's football game against Chico State.

Reconsideration of California State Students Association membership was scheduled on the agenda, but Werlin said that he cancelled the item for this meeting. He said that he was going to the association's next meeting later this month and would decide afterwards whether or not he would support membership.

"I want to see what kind of reform they are going to do," Werlin said.

Membership in CSSA would cost ASI 50 cents per student, an estimated $11,363.

Theresa Alhart was appointed unanimously to Activities Finance Council. The rest of the council will be appointed at the next board meeting, said Rich Edgar, vice president of finance.

Correction

Tuesday's article in the *State Hornet* about the communication studies department incorrectly referred to the department as communications studies and also listed the wrong phone number. The correct phone number is 278-6688.

Associated Students, Inc.
encourages all students to attend
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Donald R. Gerth's

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Monday, September 25, 1995, 10 a.m.
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Dr. Gerth will offer his vision for the future of our University and his plans for the enhancement of campus life at CSUS. A question and answer session will follow the address.

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Sunday, Sept. 24

"Day on the Green," an outdoor rock extravaganza will be held at 2 p.m. on the South Lawn. For more information contact Student Activities at 278-6595.

Monday, Sept. 25

CSUS President Donald Gerth will present his **"Annual Address to Students,"** at 10 a.m. in the University Theatre. A question and answer session will proceed the speech. Contact Student Activities at 278-6595 for more information.

The **Chicano-Latino Graduation Committee** will hold their first general meeting in Multi-Cultural Center at 5:30 p.m. For more information, call Claudia Moreno at 683-1282.

The **Golden Key Honor Society** will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. in the Camellia Room of the University Union. Election of the committee president, the year's activity and general information will be covered in the meeting. Call Stan J. Dundon at 278-6766.

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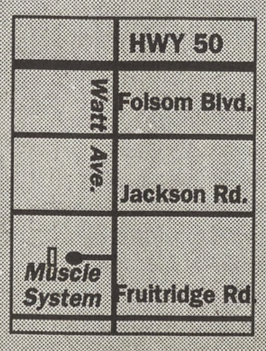

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The Extra Mile

Victor Balta

Notes from Car Number 3

I took my first train ride this weekend. I was going to spend a couple days in Berkeley (for personal reasons). Anyway, on my way there, of course I was anxious and eagerly anticipating my stop.

The weekend was great, and I was sad that it had to come to an end. Mostly because of what I was leaving behind, but also because of what I was going back to.

I was coming back to what I used to think was a university, but has since turned into a day-care center with 20,000 whining babies.

••• I've walked around campus everyday and I've heard people talking about many things. There is one thing that I've heard quite a few times. Students going around complaining about having to pay for athletics at Sacramento State.

These people have nothing to complain about. Unless you were not enrolled at CSUS last semester, you had a chance to express yourself concerning this very subject.

Last spring only 19 percent of all the students on this campus punched their ballots and the majority of those people voted to pay a little bit extra every semester for athletics.

Now, all of a sudden, we have half of the people on campus whining about how they are being forced to pay for football. I apologize, but you'll find no sympathy here. Maybe instead of crying you should put your money to use and go watch some Division I college football.

••• The first ASI Board meeting (keep in mind these are the people who are the governing body for the students) turned into obsolute chaos. Personally, I think it was somewhat reminiscent of a bunch of kids in the principal's office arguing about who started what, and why each one of them shouldn't be suspended.

Then, after the meeting, we had people who were supposedly already off the board, turning in letters of resignation. There have been people resigning from ASI practically everyday since.

Most recently, the man who chaired that first board meeting, Shu-Wai Chow turned in a letter of resignation—but there's a catch! His letter of resignation has not been accepted by ASI President J.P. Werlin.

What the heck is going on here? If the man wants to resign, he resigns. There is no one who can tell a person whether or not they can resign. What does this mean then? Is Chow "temporarily resigned?"

ASI needs to realize that there are students on this campus and those students are the only ones they should be concerned about at this point in the semester. All this resignation and eligibilty stuff should have been taken care of before school started.

What kind of faith are we expected to have in our student government with things such as these happening everyday?

••• I would just really like to figure out why it is that everyone has to complain. It is inevitable. Not just on this campus, but in society in general. I don't understand why it is that people must complain about everything.

People on this campus need to realize what this is. This is a university. This is a place for higher learning. Everyone here needs to grow up and realize what the purpose of attending this university is. We are here to learn. We are earning our degrees so that we can become employed once we graduate.

It wouldn't hurt to have a little bit of spirit and faith in the institution which will guide your future.

"The Extra Mile" appears every other Friday. Write to Victor at: 6000 J Street Bldg. T-GG, Sacramento, CA 95819-6102 or on the NET at: vbalta@csus.edu.

Letters to the Editor

State Hornet 'Top Ten List' wasn't funny

Dear Misguided ones,

Hello. Your feeble attempt at humor failed miserably. Perhaps a career change is in order. Anyway, to get back to the subject at hand. Your "Top Ten List" was not funny in any way, shape, or form. All you did was belittle the efforts of men who are trying to give the university and its students a program that they can be proud of, much the same way women's volleyball, and men's soccer have done. I wonder how long it will be until you turn lack of wit and humor to the women's soccer program. But thankfully, they haven't qualified for your discriminating eye. But, don't let me rail on endlessly without pointing out some facts. A fact, by the way, has it's basis in truth. You may wish to consider that when you decide to evaluate another program you know nothing about.

Fact One: It has never suggested, let alone proven that other football players condone, or practice the use of performance enhancing drugs.

Fact Two: The last time I looked, I was living in the United States of America. I had always thought all citizens were to be given a presumption of innocence. The fact is, Tom Beam hasn't been convicted of anything, and to imply that he is guilty of the charges made against him, or that he would again believe in an illegal manner, is irresponsible.

Fact Three: No one has shown that there is widespread use of controlled substances in the football program. Just because some former players have been charged with selling the substance your "List" makes reference to, does not mean that the whole program is stoned. Now, I am not going to say that nobody in the football program, or on campus has not experimented with the drug you mention. But, if any of your contributors to the list have partake of a little "pot," then this thought seems to spring to mind: "People who live in glass houses..."

I should start to conclude this letter, for I would not wish the student population of CSUS to converge upon your office and demand I replace the inept group who currently release such excrement for consumption. I am much too busy to take on another responsibility at this time. But, to get back to your "Top Ten List," I feel to imply that our football team can only win by playing a pee-wee team, is greatly disrespectful. Our football team have put in may long hours of practice in near 100 degree weather, not including spring practice. These dedicated men showed up and worked hard for the students of CSUS, at a time when they had no coach, and their sport's hold to life was precarious at best. Such an effort demands respect and admiration, instead, the *State Hornet* only gives scorn. You should be ashamed of yourselves. But, I suspect, those who generated this attempt of humor have themselves never competed in anything athletic. If this is the case, then your utter lack of knowledge of what you attempt to satirize is understandable.

I have noticed that the *State Hornet* has in the past, desired a greater campus life for the students her at CSUS. Sports is very important in generating interest in campus life. With an opportunity to accomplish such and end, and support our football program as well as campus life, the *State Hornet* instead generates negativity, at a time when it could be most harmful. In the future, if you can't be positive, be silent. Nobody is interested in the negative, counterproductive flotsam this publication generates. How long will it be until your collective lack of originality generates something approaching interesting? I don't know, but I don't see that possibility occurring for a great while.

But wait, I hate to sign off without noting at least one positive aspect to your "Top Ten List," I, too, wish to see 63 scholarships for our football program here at CSUS.

If you could've remained in such a positive mode, perhaps somebody would have enjoyed your list. I'm a positive individual, so I wish you luck on your next "Top Ten List," maybe the product will be something to laugh at, and not the attempt.

Jeff Baldridge
Athletic Training

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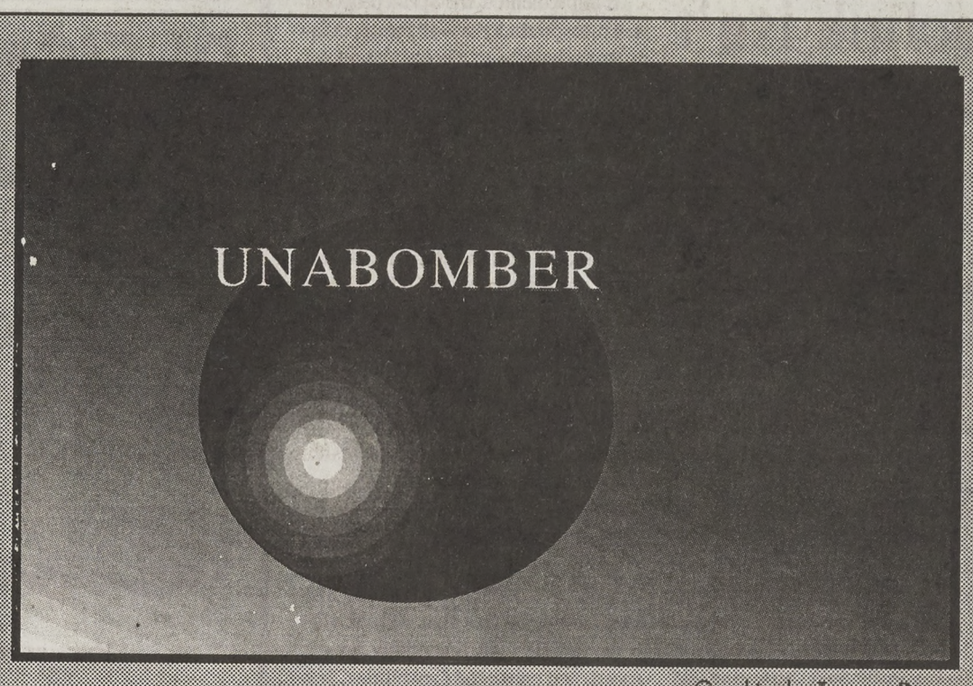

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Tough Choice

The *Washington Post* made a tough decision this week— a decision that potentially could save lives. The *Post* and the *New York Times* made the controversial move to publish the manifesto of the Unabomber, a fugitive since 1978 who has killed three people and injured dozens of others.

In a deadline imposed three months ago, the Unabomber promised to stop the killings, but not necessarily the physical violence, if his manifesto was published.

In publishing the manifesto, the Federal Bureau of Investigations hoped to reveal possible leads that will help discover the Unabomber's identity or whereabouts.

The *Post* and the *Times* declared that publishing the manifesto was an attempt to balance journalistic and humanitarian needs.

The *Times* and *Post's* decision was determined under a variety of circumstances and possible outcomes that could result from the publishing of the manifesto. The first and foremost being the possibility that the bombings might stop.

However, the ethics and the decisions reached by the newspapers had more considerations than just the curbing of violence and to save lives. There were ethical considerations, public out-cry and an off-the-wall chance the mysterious man, called the Unabomber, would be caught.

Weighing these considerations must have been a tremendous burden on the editors and publishers of the *Post*. A decision which took approximately three months to determine. In decisions such as these, it must be rationalized that either decision, wrong or right, has to be respected. The *Post* and the *Times*, made the best decision they could make after seeing the considerations and circumstances that revolve around the Unabomber and his requests.

There have been cries of anguish from each side of the issue. Some say spending over $40,000 on a madman that could break his word on any given instance is riduclous. While others have said the publishing of the manifesto answers his demands for public attention and recognition.

Either way, whatever the opinion on each side, it was a tough decision to print the manifesto. Whether we agree or disagree with this decision does not matter. It is the respect of the newspapers and their organizations on the tough decision they made which is important.

Ombudsman Line

Fees for the Internet would be a mistake

The article in last week's paper claimed that a November 1994 study of SacLink's dial-up system by Pacific Bell found 52,000 busy signals during a five day period. I have been using the system every day since school started this semester (sometimes dialing in up to ten times a day), and have NEVER, EVER gotten a busy signal. I use Saclink a lot more than most people do, and was quite surprised to hear that there's this "crisis" over the lack of free dialup lines for those who want to use their modems from home to access Saclink.

How exactly was this study conducted? The article said that SacLink can support a total of 210 simultaneous connections. Did Pacific Bell suddenly flood the dialup system with, say, 52,210 calls? If we are charged $12.50 a month for dial-in access, then that's $112.50 more per school year that the average student has to shell out in addition to tuition fees, books, parking, and every other fee that we have to pay. The thing that I don't understand is that if there are soooo many busy signals, and that seemingly NOBODY can get on because there aren't enough modems, then how come every time I type "finger" at the UNIX prompt (to see how many people are on the system at any given time) I never see more than 50 users logged in? If there's such a massive shortage of dialup lines, then where is the evidence? The only people I hear saying that it's impossible to get through are the people at University Computing & Communications. I have never heard a student complain that he or she can't get through.

If people are told that they are going to have to cough up $12.50 more a month, then many will probably decline and simply go to one of the computer labs on campus to use the internet. That means that the labs will be even more packed than they are now. Besides, sometimes the labs can't even be used because there are classes in there.

Local internet service providers are going to be thrilled when they find out that Sac State will be charging us to dial in. They will surely offer much more at a very comparable (probably even lower) price; something even more affordable than $12.50 a month. They offer more features anyway, and the disk quota is a bit higher than 250k.

My own personal opinion is that Sac State is doing everything it possibly can to increase the amount of money it takes in. It's no secret that Sac State is hard up for cash.

If they're going to start charging us to use the Internet from home, they should charge us a fee every time we want to check out a book from the library. Most people (like myself) very often use the internet for educational purposes.

This whole thing reminds me a whole lot of Clinton's failed health care plan. It's based on the assumption that when people think there's a crisis (or the threat of one), they're more willing to give money to someone who tells them they can make everything nice and happy again.

Jeph Boyd

Top Ten: 'ridiculous'

I'm calling in disbelief of the "Top 10 Ways the Hornet team can win this season" placed in the *Hornet* newspaper. I cannot believe that you would even go that far. For one, the team is not on steroids, it had nothing to do with that case. They have not been proven with anything. And you've already proven them guilty in this paper. No one on that team is on steroids. The FDA tests every year for steroids.

"Have a ganja party"—that is ridiculous. "Been there, done that," that's the most ridiculous thing I've ever seen in the *Hornet*. Apparently they don't teach journalistic integrity in journalism classes here. I cannot believe how low you would stoop. So many

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Opinion

Saclink isn't so bad now

Dear Editor:

In the September 15, 1995 edition of the State Hornet, you ran an article entitled "Fee May Be Charged For Off-Campus Internet use." While I spoke to reporters on three separate occasions prior to the publication of the article, I evidently failed to communicate clearly because the direction of the article is incorrect, and there were several inaccuracies. Please allow me to set the record straight. There are no University plans to change the existing SacLink/dial-in modem pool structure. In fact, based upon the November, 1994 study referenced in your article, the University expanded this modem pool dramatically over the Spring and Summer resulting in excellent off-campus access at this time. However, neither this University nor the Universities in the CSU believe they will be able to keep pace with the dramatic growth of off-campus demand. Accordingly, the Sprint proposal referenced in your article is being examined as a way to augment the existing services.

If implemented, the Sprint proposal will provide students with the opportunity to subscribe to a commercial service (similar to other commercial services such as NetCom and Sacramento Network Access) that should virtually guarantee their ability to access the University's information resources when needed. Because the vendor's networking equipment will be located on campus, we will be able to identify CSUS subscribers as part of the CSUS network domain, giving them full access to all University information resources, a capability not available to current Internet users who access CSUS from outside our domain.

Again, the Sprint proposal is not being looked at as a replacement for existing services but an alternative that will allow students to subscribe to a commercial service that will provide better access with potentially greater speeds and enhanced capabilities. Students who do not feel the additional benefits are worth the subscription costs can continue to use the existing University modem pool.

David C. Hill
Director, University Computing and Communications Services

Ridiculous: Journalistic integrity gone

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people are trying to build this program up and what do you want to do? Tear it down? How about supporting the Hornets before you just dash their hopes and everything that everyone's done to make it what it is right now? A lot of people worked hard to get that referendum passed. You guys want to throw it all away with some stupid Top 10 list. Get a clue—that's the most ridiculous thing I've ever seen. It's pathetic.

Christian J. Cooper
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Why parking stinks

I was walking out to my car when I happened upon a ticket. This was no normal ticket. It wouldn't get me into a movie or a concert, but had I been the owner of the vehicle it would have gotten me a nice fine of $17. The ticket was crossed out in black ball point pen and had tire tracks and footprints on it to show that it had spent a good deal of time on the ground.

I've had a few parking tickets and there are many who share the same predicament. I now park off campus rather than pay the wonderful daily coin lot price or the $63 permit fee. For the most part I enjoy all the money I save. If I could have my way, I would rather park in the garage or in one of the closer lots, but when I think of how many movies I can go to (9 full price, 30 discount) or Taco Bell lunches (31.5) that I can wolf down by abstaining from buying the parking permit, the acres I have to cross to go to class become more tolerable and regret usually fades for a while. The half-mile walk wakes me up, but come winter and rain, the acres turn to lakes and I find myself drenched in cold regret.

But back to the subject: the parking lot was littered with those tickets. It was by no means a carpet or a mound but there was at least one discarded ticket either trampled on, run over, or shredded in every lot that I checked.

This says a lot, maybe not so blatantly as a scribble on a desk, but it certainly shows a defiance and distaste of the parking policies of the campus. Parking is a negative from the start in both cost and connotation. Your car can get destroyed, keyed, stolen, scratched, birds may fly over it, any sort of disaster may happen upon your car while it is parked.

My curiosity took me out to the parking office and I talked to the Transportation and Parking Manager for UTAPS. She informed me that parking facilities cost money to maintain and that is what the fees go toward. She also informed me that they do not set how much the parking passes are. The prices are all decided by the "big guy" in Long Beach—the Chancellor. UTAPS only performs the duties dictated by him.

Unfortunately UTAPS gets kind of a bad rap. Besides parking enforcement, they are responsible for the garage, the information booth, the bicycle compounds, the campus shuttle bus, the condition of the roads, and several other things that we use but don't take the time to appreciate.

Parking citation fines run between $9(15 bean burritos) for having an improperly completed permit to $275(466 bean burritos) for parking in a handicapped zone illegally.

I have to admit that each time I've gotten a ticket I've wanted to shake it in the face of every parking patrol person that wanders within

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Mark Barttuello/State Hornet

Hillside Roll performed their eclectic alternative music Wednesday at the Nooner on the South Lawn of the University Union.

Music rolls onto campus

By HEATHER CHALLIS
Hornet Staff Writer

"Anybody got any beefs? Chicken? Tofu?," Hillside Roll lead singer Mike Murdock questioned the crowd assembled at Wednesday's Nooner on the South Lawn. Judging by the size of the crowd, and the number of tapes sold at the end of the show, it appeared that the people didn't have any beefs about their performance.

It was the third time that Hillside Roll has played on campus and guitarist Ben McKenna was pleased with the turn-out this semester. Last year they played at Homecoming and an AIDS benefit on campus.

"When you come and get a showing like this it makes it all worthwhile," McKenna explained. "We try and project towards all age groups, but the college crowd usually listens to our type of music anyway."

Hillside Roll's performance reflected high energy and versatility, especially when the bongo drums and maracas were added to the usual run-of-the-mill instruments. Bands such as Tool and Alice in Chains were slated as influences on the band, but McKenna reflected on his guitar-toting idols.

"I grew up when flashy guitar playing was big. It was all about how technical you could be. My voice was more David Gilmore and Eric Clapton," McKenna said.

"They could say something more powerful guitar-wise with less notes played the right way rather than a million notes all over the place."

The hard-edged alternative band, composed of McKenna on guitar, Craig on bass,

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Charlie Kropf/State Hornet

The Geraldine Fibbers played at Melarkey's last Monday combining their unique style of etherial music with hard and stunning vocals by Carla Bozulich.

Fibbing their way to the future

By MATT MCKINNON
Hornet Staff Writer

How many times do you find yourself sitting around on a week night, tired of homework, tired of the endless garbage that networks are serving up on T.V.? You may ask yourself, what kind of options do I have on a weeknight in Sacramento? Or maybe, you are content sitting in your living room becoming another victim of an "in house drive by"(Rage Against the Machine), after all when they say jump, you say, "how high." So, its a Monday night downtown at Melarkey's (16th & Broadway) there just happens to be three bands playing, and you have nothing to do. What a coincidence. But, you don't like rock clubs because they are too loud. Buy earplugs.

Inside Melarkey's a mellow crowd is gathering. There are three bands on the night's line up. Opening is Captain, a local act, Crash and Brittany, also local (played Lollapallooza, San Francisco with Pearl Jam, or rather Neil Young), and the night's headliner is The Geraldine Fibbers.

The crowd is dressed in an assortment of colors and styles. Some are dressed in retro-you-call-it gear, a lot of jeans and T-shirts, a guy in a Hawaiian shirt, girls in long skirts and dresses, all them are out of their houses; in public none the less.

The Geraldine Fibbers are on a U.S. tour supporting their first album titled, *Lost Somewhere Between The Earth And My Home*. The Band is making the rounds and after a night in San Jose, one in San Francisco, and one in Berkeley they have made their way to the big Tomato.

Originating in Los Angeles, the band was formed by five friends who got together in someone's garage and played country covers.

At that time Carla Bozulich, soon to be the lead singer and guitar player of The Geraldine Fibbers, was working out some personal con-

flicts with a previous band, in which she sang. Needless to say the garage band underwent a metamorphosis and three months later The Geraldine Fibbers were ready to release a single called "Sympathy" for the record industry, a 10-inch. The album that was to follow is out on Virgin Records.

This band is not what would be considered a normal "rock" band, they play a variety of instruments that include two electric guitars, a double bass(stand up), a drum set, and a violin/viola. The music is very mood affecting, the sound they manage to produce fits the clubs atmosphere well— Melarkey's room is dimly lit with light bulbs that create a fluorescent spectrum— an underground rainbow. From above unseen ceiling fans circulate cool air.

The West coast tour will continue north from Portland, to Olympia, to Seattle, ending in Vancouver B.C. After touring the U.S., The Geraldine Fibbers will be making their way over the Atlantic.

This will be their third trip to Europe where they will play clubs in Redding, Belgium and Holland. The European stint will end when they return to the East coast to start touring with Mike Watt. The East Coast tour will make its way south down the coast and hit a few Southern states with the group anticipating a return to Los Angeles around Christmas. Currently there is a video out on MTV.

The band's influences range from The Germs, and Nocturnal Emissions, to Black Sabbath and Brahms. Their music has the feel of a psychedelic country band, using the viola and double bass to add depth and mixing those sounds with lyrics like, "Marmalade, sunny days, drugs make me wanna sit next to you."

The Geraldine Fibbers are able to produce a sound unlike anything available around here. The musicians work well together and the energy that they produce they happily share with the audience.

The show was relatively formulated, people clapped, some danced under a swinging disco ball, the bands played their sets respectively and an air of respect was present among all who attended.

Sunday will turn up nothing but green

By BRANDON CORBIN
Hornet Features Editor

Showcasing some of Sacramento's hottest talent, UNIQUE Programs Fifth annual "Day on the Green" will be held this Sunday at the University Union South Lawn, from noon to 5 p.m. Headlining the free mega-concert will be the recently reunited Kai Kln, along with God Squad, Ramshackle, Nothing and Mental Splooge.

After taking three years off from making music, Kai Kln has been taking back control of the Sacramento music scene.

A band with multiple acheivements, they have become well known for being one of Sacramento's hardest working bands.

In 1992, Kai Kln became the first unsigned band ever to sell out the Crest Theater, thanks in part to the big cult following that the band has attracted. They have opened for bands like Nirvana, Primus and Bad Religion, as well as selling out their own shows.

Musically, Kai Kln draws styles from the classic rock of the 70s and 80s punk, brought together in a heavy alternative/ rock sound that leaves them with their own distinctive sound.

God Squad has also been making noise in Sacramento lately, playing at virtually every venue in the area. They frequently play shows with Kai Kln, and have even created a record on Kai Kln's own label, *Home Grown Music*.

Ramshackle and Nothing have become hot local acts, each playing at Nooners last semester. Nothing also played recently at the CattleClub last Friday.

While Indigo Girls influenced, Mental Splooge, will play in between sets. Mental Splooge played recently at a Sacramento State Nooner.

At the concert, co-presenters 93 Rock will be selling its CD *Sacramento Rocks II*, featuring Kai Kln and Nothing, to help benefit Sacramento's Mustard Seed School.

Courtesy Photo

Kai Kln will play along with God Squad, Ramshackle, Nothing and Mental Splooge at this Sunday's "Day on the Green" on the South lawn.

Features

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my sight and afterwards I feel a bit of contempt for them because of all the money I've had to pay.

Several times I've wanted to share in the trampling and shredding of tickets, but truthfully, I knew what I was doing when I parked my car where I did.

In some cases ignorance is truly the cause of the ticket for others, but in my own circumstance I knew exactly what I was doing and that if I was caught I would be fined. Each time it happened it was always my fault.

I could have left the house earlier and had time to park away from school; I could have bought the permit or the daily stub from the coin lot. However, I didn't and all of the times I looked on my windshield and saw a ticket in that dreaded yellow-orange envelope I was mad at myself for getting caught.

Hillside: Band highlights local music scene

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Kevin McGee on drums, and lead singer Murdock has had various success in the Sacramento music scene. This past summer they released *Hope From Despair*, a nine-track album that they played most of during the Nooner.

KWOD 106.5 has also showcased the band on The Sound of Sacramento (a show focusing on Sacramento area bands and airs Sunday evenings at 9 p.m.).

Hillside Roll was also featured on the album *Blank Astronomy*, sponsored by KWOD, in which listeners called in original lines for songs, and in turn, the station asked bands who had been featured on The Sound of Sacramento to cover them. The end result was "Sad Service," the last track on the album. The band has been together for about three years now, and they continue to play at clubs such as Old Ironsides, The Cattle Club, and Soundwave.

If you missed their performance Wednesday, or you want to check them out again, they will be playing along with Sweet Vine and Nothing, tomorrow, at the Soundwave, which is located on Sunrise and Folsom (11291 Folsom Blvd.). The show will begin at 9 p.m.

GET IT WHILE IT'S HOT

Courtesy Photo

Got Peas? Korn (Above) is coming to Sacramento this Monday, Sept. 25 at the El Dorado Saloon. Korn's brand of heavy alternative/ industrial music will rock the house and bring every Gothic-loving person to their knees. Playing with Korn are headliners KMFDM, and opening act God Lives Under Water.

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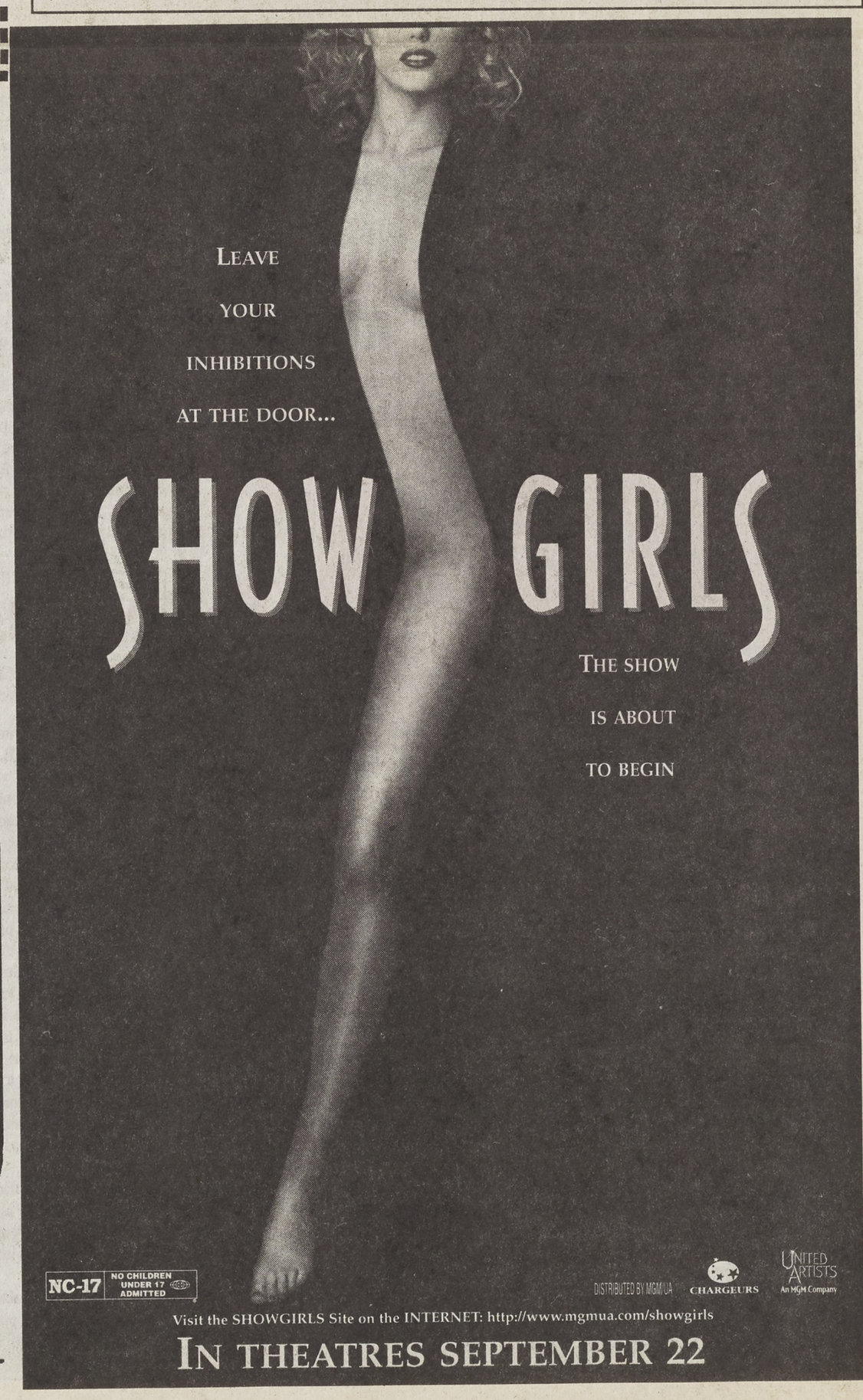

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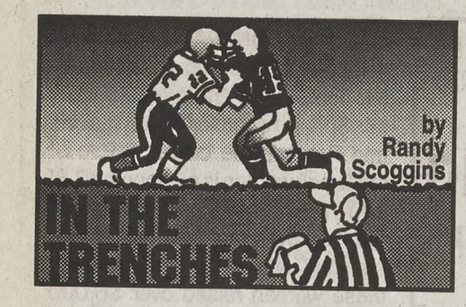


Take your Policy and...

The following is an open letter to San Francisco 49er owner Eddie DeBartolo and Team President Carmen Policy.

Dear Sirs: In the enclosed package is some of the finest American cheese money can buy. With the recent whining you two gentlemen have been doing, it seemed to be an appropriate gift.

It appears you boys are quite upset about the recent business transactions of one of your colleagues, i.e. a Mr. Jerry Jones of the Dallas Cowboys. While Mr. Jones' actions could well be argued to be counter-productive as far as the NFL is concerned, (although there's a decent argument to be made that it is not) for the two of you to complain about what he is doing is completely hypocritical.

Aren't you the very same people who somehow circumvented the salary cap? Aren't you the same organization that got the video game company, Sega, whose headquarters are located in Hayward, to offer Deion a million dollars to stay with the 49ers.

Mr. Jones signed deals with Nike and Pepsi to earn more cash to improve his team's chances of winning. Isn't this capitalism at its finest? Do you want the owners in the NFL to become socialists? Is the business world inside the NFL different from the rest of the world? In a sport which already includes free agency, it's not unreasonable for owners to help themselves.

Jones is a business man and he's doing what he does best. Jerry is just being Jerry. Should he be punished for being innovative and taking care of his own interests? You might complain his boat-rocking entrepreneurship is going to be the death of the league. It could very well be the opposite.

Many teams in the NFL could do well to carry a pad and pencil whenever Jones opens his mouth. Jones bought the Dallas Cowboys back in 1989 when they were last in the NFL with a 1-15 record. There were many teams in the league who laughed in Jones, face. Look who's laughing now. Jones' and company (he did have help) turned the franchise into one of the most lucrative in the world of sports.

How many years do we give struggling franchises who seem to have no idea what they're doing? The Tampa Bay Buccaneers have struggled for so long it's a wonder anyone shows up for any of their games. Teams like Tampa Bay have no excuse for being perennial losers. The NFL is already designed with the draft, to give the teams with the poorer records the best opportunity to improve themselves.

And that's just what Jones is doing. Improving his team's situation. Your organization has long been recognized as one of the best in sports. It is understood the 49ers take care of their players and their players families. By suggesting that Jones not try and better his team financially, would be like asking you to stop treating your players so well.

As it stands now, the Cowboys are currently responsible for 26 percent of all merchandise sold in the NFL and they should be paid accordingly. You don't punish the successful by telling them they have to share with someone who's not pulling his own weight. Why stop there?Why not after every season the Super Bowl winner should be required to give their three best players to the team with the worst record. How about that?

With Jones giving the league an example, maybe some of the less creative owners will get off their duffs and hire someone to market their franchises better than they are now. They could start by changing some of the more hideous uniforms in the league. Maybe people would buy a Browns' jersey every once in a while if it wasn't so ugly.

"In the Trenches" appears in every Friday edition of The State Hornet. Send any questions or comments to Randy at 6000 J Street, Blgg T—GG, Sacramento, CA 95819-6102., or you can e-mail him at sac40506.saclink1.csus.edu.

You can only hope to contain him

Cavitt scores twice in 4-2 Hornet win

By KEVIN D'ONOFRIO
HORNET SPORTS EDITOR

With temperatures soaring near triple digits at Hornet Soccer Field on Tuesday afternoon, the Sacramento State men's team relied on the hot foot of forward Brandon Cavitt to lead them past visiting Cal State Hayward, 4-2.

Hayward couldn't stop the Hornet senior, but they were able to contain him for the first half, holding him to three shots and no goals.

In the second half Cavitt scored twice, including the game winner, giving him three goals in the last two games. He now has a team-leading total of five goals on the season.

The teams traded goals in the early going. Jamel Mitchell got the scoring started with his fourth goal of the season, on an assist from Don Finley, to stake the Hornets to a 1-0 lead. Hayward answered with a goal from Brian Krebs to knot the score.

The Hornets recaptured the lead when Cavitt netted a shot off the far post and past Hayward goalkeeper Jared Hathaway less than two minutes into the second half.

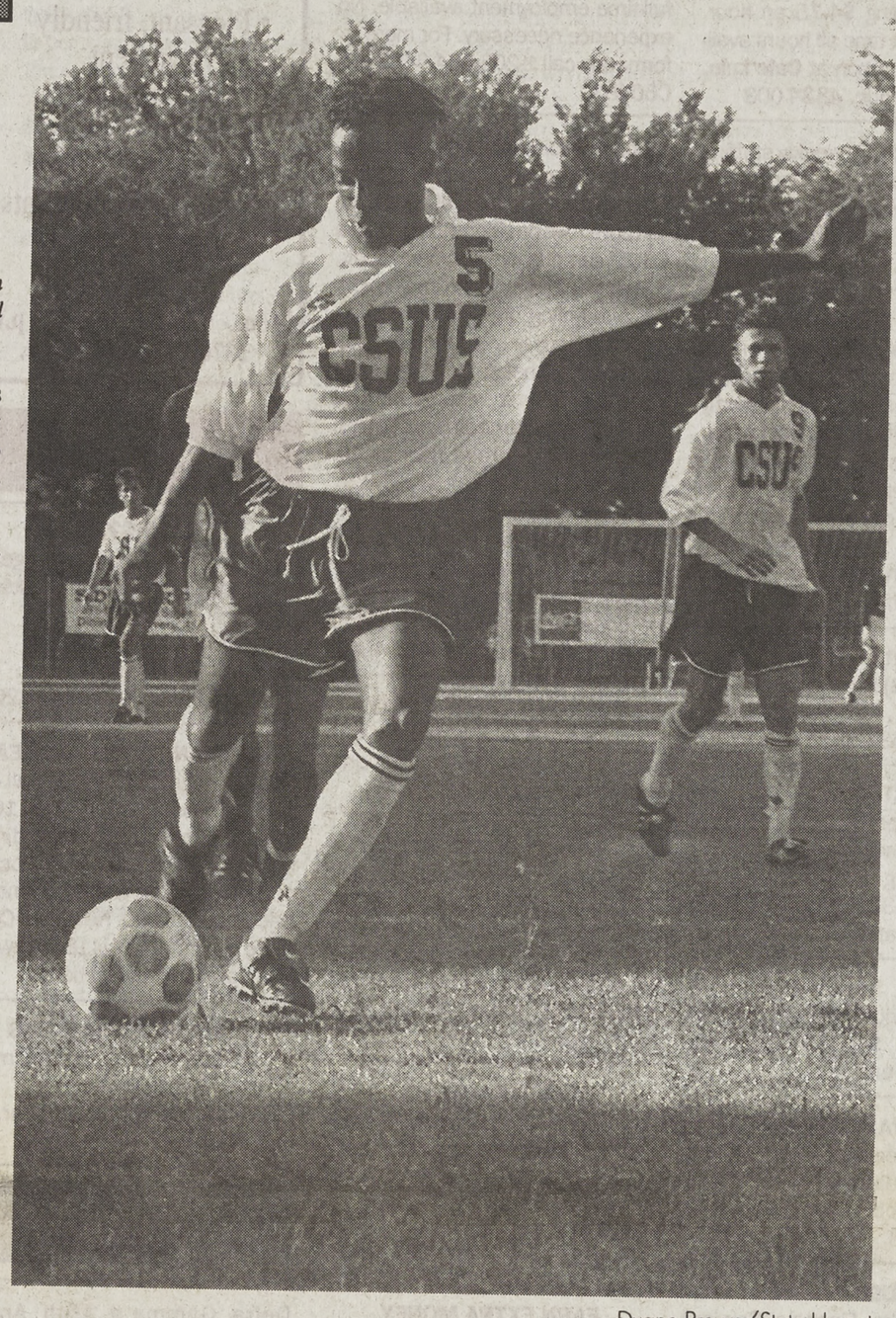
Hayward responded again in the 69th minute on a penalty kick from forward Mike Descombaz to deadlock the game at 2-2.

But neither the heat nor Hathaway were any match for Cavitt, who got off a game-high seven shots to lead the Hornets to a 22-16 overall shot advantage.

His second goal came after a pass from midfielder Shandley Phillips. Cavitt took the feed on the right side and fired the ball past Hathaway to give the Hornets a lead they wouldn't relinquish.

Clinging to a one goal lead in the final minutes, Hornet goalkeeper Jeff Fluharty blasted a kick down the length of the field. Curtis Holmes headed the ball in for an insurance goal and the Hornets walked away with the victory.

The win gives the Hornets a 3-4 record with 10 days off to prepare for the Air Force Invitational in Colorado Springs beginning Sept. 29.



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Hornets' leading scorer, Brandon Cavitt, scoring the game-winning goal.

Duane Brown/State Hornet
Curtis Holmes drives past the Hayward defense in a 4-2 victory for CSUS.

Frustration continues in loss at UOP

By DAVE RATHJEN
HORNET SPORTS WRITER

The early season frustration continued for the Sacramento State women's soccer team on Wednesday night as the Hornets were defeated at the hands of the University of the Pacific by a score of 3-0.

The first score ot the game for Pacific came at the 17:12 mark of the first half when Shannan Boulware took a cross pass from Nikki Lasher and headed the ball into the upper right side of the net. Less than a minute after the first score, Pacific would find the back of the net once again as Natalie Dorr added a score on a cross pass from Wendy Woolgar at the 18:01 mark. The final score for the Tigers came at the 34:23 mark in the first half on a goal by Dawn Hollowell.

PACIFIC 3, HORNETS 0
P-Boulware (17:12)
P-Woolgar (18:01)
P-Hollowell (34:23)

The Hornet defense was able to prevent any scoring by the Tigers in the second half, yet, the damage had already been done. It once again seemed that it was the Hornets inability to put up enough shots on the opposing goal that was the major difference in the game, which is something that has plagued the team in the first six games of the young season. The Tigers outshot Sacramento State by a total of 37-14.

Hornet goalie Dawn Anderson recorded 20 saves in the game.

The loss dropped the overall record of Sacramento State to (0-6). The squad will have their next chance to snatch that elusive first victory when the Bulldogs of Fresno State arrive in Sacramento for a Sunday afternoon match set for 2 p.m.

Names and Numbers

—**Tony Corbin** and **Marvin Brown** were named American West Conference Offensive and Special Teams players of the week respectively.
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—**Brandon Cavitt** leads the men's soccer team with five goals. **Jamel Mitchell** is second with four.

—Volleyball takes an 8-1 record into this weekend's Hofstra Invitational

Hornets look for first 'W'

By HORNET SPORTS STAFF

Sacramento State's football team will be looking to crack the win column this week during the Hornets' home opener Saturday against Chico State.

The Hornets (0-2) are coming off a tear-causing 21-18 loss at Eastern Washington. In that game, the Hornets were attempting to comeback from an 18-point halftime deficit. The Hornets were working on a potential game-winning drive and got the the Eagles' fourteen-yard line with 40 seconds remaining, only to see the drive stall when Hornet quarterback Tony Corbin was intercepted.

Despite the loss to the Eagles, many of the Eagles' fans appreciated the Hornets performance and let them know with applause and pats on the back as the Hornets left the field.

Head coach John Volek sees his teams, improvements and knows the Hornets are giving it their best.

"These guys don't have training tables like other schools, they're eating peanut butter and jelly sandwiches before they come to games," Volek said.

The Hornets lead the all-time series against Chico State 22-16-1, including a 41-7 rout of the Wildcats last season in Chico.

The 'Cats are also trying to snap a two-game losing streak. After beating the University of San Diego, Chico State lost to lowly Mesa State College and suffered a 44-20 thrashing at the hands of Saint Mary's.

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Tony Corbin leads the Hornets into tomorrow's game against Chico State.

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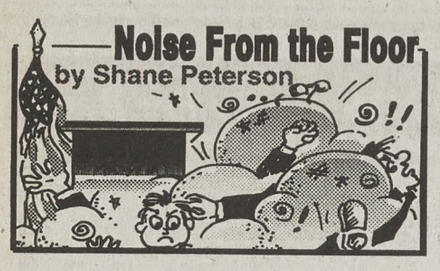

Let 'em know we're watching

I don't know if you noticed the small article on page A3 of the Sept. 14 *Sacramento Bee*, but it merits a second look. It detailed our state Senate's rejection of a proposed constitutional amendment to require a balanced state budget along with forcing lawmakers to forego their expenses and salaries each day that the budget is late. The amendment was proposed by Sen. Quentin Kopp, an independent from San Francisco. The vote was 18-21. It needed 27 votes to pass.

One senator, Diane Watson (D-Los Angeles), used the "don't-punish-us-all-for-the-acts-of-the-few" defense, argued that some senators depend exclusively on legislative paychecks and complained in the *Bee* that "It is not fair to put us in that kind of economic jeopardy." Apparently, she has forgotten what happened to a large number of state workers not too long ago when the budget wasn't balanced on time. Those fortunate many earned nice shiny IOU's for their efforts instead of a check that could've been immediately cashed and used to buy some of the many things that they probably needed at the time.

I'm sure that those fortunate people wholeheartedly agree with the senator's response to this amendment. I, for one, wish there were more politicians out there like Mr. Kopp, who called our state's history of failing to pass the budget on time "appalling." I applaud both him and the other 17 (since he presumably cast a positive vote) senators who voted favorably for this amendment. That's practically one-half of the Senate, which gives this voter hope.

But I need your help. You out there (and you know who you are) need to get registered, get informed, and then make your presence felt at the voting booth. Since next year is an election year and both the Senate and the Assembly are narrowly controlled by the Democrats and Republicans respectively, your votes will have an impact on the way political business is done in this state. Remember though, this is a numbers game, so many votes will be necessary to win the tug of war.

Enough of us must mobilize to descend on the polls to ensure that the masses are truly represented. Well, you say, it's a pain in the butt to register, get to where you have to go, wait, and then finally vote. You just don't have the time. Let me offer this as a motivator: for several days of this last week before the end-of-year recess, many bills that deserved attention were ignored while the Senate and Assembly fought over the division of $1.3 million dollars in office and staff funds. I'm not making this up. It's there on the front page of our local newspaper.

There is among us a sentiment that politicians are "thieves" and "liars" among other unprintable things, which expresses itself in the rantings and ravings from untold millions of barstools or in coffee shop chatter across the country. It seems lots of time is spent complaining about politicians and their ways but little is used in any actual attempt to boot the scoundrels out of office.

I sense the need for more motivation. One of the bond measures killed in partisan warfare would have generated $3 billion for the construction of public schools and colleges and would have gone on the March 1996 ballot. Assembly Republicans wanted to pass a bill adding a $1.9 billion bond for prisons to the school bond, and refused to support the school bond by itself. It died an untimely death, but hopefully will rise again during the next session so it has a shot at getting on the November 1996 ballot.

We vote for ourselves, and for those that follow. We have the opportunity to improve the quality of our lives and we have the tool to hammer the political structure into whatever shape that we desire. The problem here is not that politicians seemingly never agree. Politicians are supposed to disagree with each other. They sometimes create the impression of an inefficient government, one that lumbers instead of strides into the future. They can't help themselves. The framers of our Constitution intended that our government be divided in such a way to guarantee that it cannot tyrannize us with absolute power.

However, it's one thing for the members of the parties to debate a bill containing something of import to us but quite another for them to argue over who gets more money or more office space. We have to make politicians accountable for failing us by their actions. If we don't take this matter into our own hands, then we have no grounds to insist that we don't deserve our fate.

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Setencich seizes Assembly's reins

By JEFF OGAR
HORNET STAFF WRITER

As if the 1995 legislative session didn't provide enough fuel for the cynical fires that are burning in the California electorate, the last week of session for the California State Assembly saw the third speaker in one session elected in a house where Willie Brown's iron fist had governed for 14 years.

Assemblyman Brian Setencich (R-Fresno), a 33-year-old freshman lawmaker, was elected to the speakership last week by the same coalition of 39 Democrats that selected Doris Allen (R-Cypress) and Willie Brown (D-San Francisco) previously this year.

Voting against the Central Valley Republican were 39 of the 41 members of his own caucus (Setencich himself and former speaker and Republican outcast Doris Allen broke ranks.)

With the announcement that enough signatures had been gathered to hold a recall election against her, Allen resigned the speakership on Thursday so she could concentrate her energy on fighting the recall attempt. Allen erupted at her Republican critics, calling them "men with small penises." Setencich, one of the few Republicans to show any allegiance to Allen, was then elected to succeed her, becoming the youngest person ever to lead the Assembly.

Setencich, whose political career began four years ago with his upset election to the Fresno City Council, is not known as a legislative powerhouse around the Capitol. He has been nicknamed "Forrest Gump" by his colleagues, and has drawn the wrath of the Assembly Republican Caucus, which, despite its winning a majority in the 1994 elections, has been outfoxed three times in speakership votes this year. However, Setencich does not seem to hold the same contempt for his fellow Republicans his predecessor Allen showed. According to Assemblyman Richard Katz (D-Panorama City), "Even those who were out to vilify (Allen) acknowledge that (Setencich) made a decision based on what he thinks was right."

Speaker Setencich has already shown a willingness to work with the Assembly Republican Caucus. "I don't bring...any vendettas against anybody," Setencich said early in his tenure. He has discussed reversing Allen's policy of shutting the Assembly Republicans out of decisions relating to their own affairs, such as the selection of a floor leader and the hiring of caucus staff.

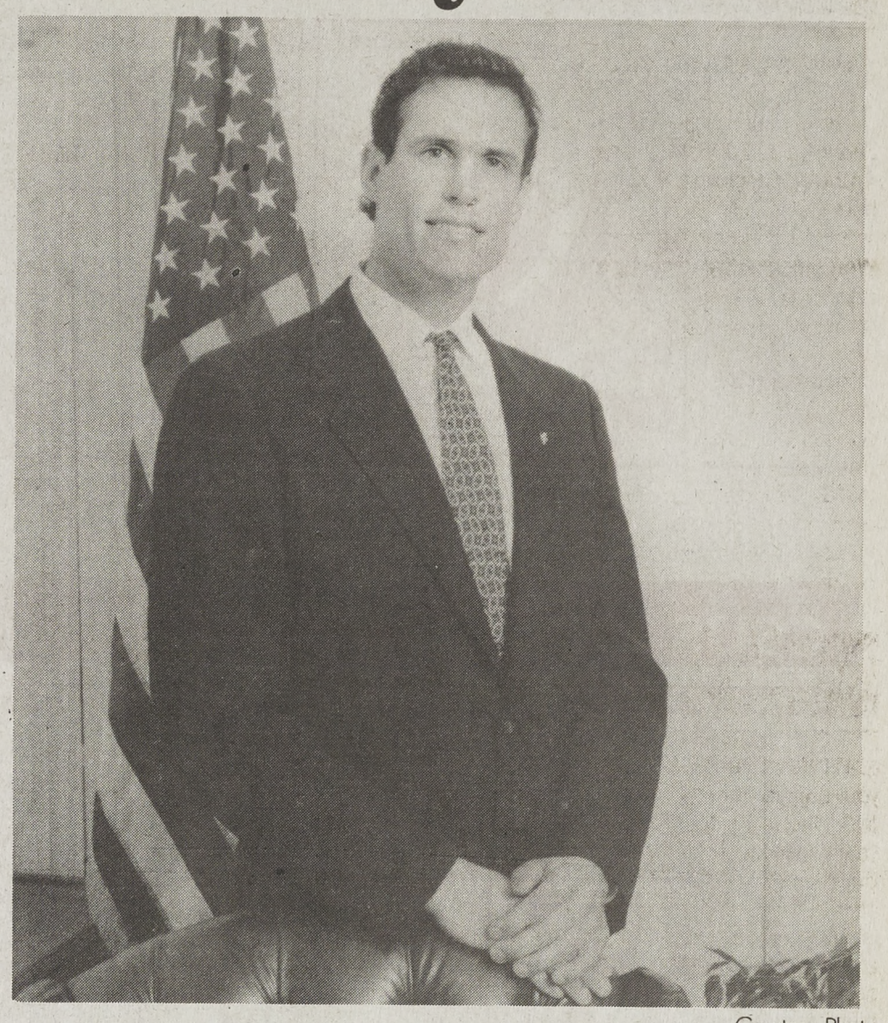
Allen, viewed by most as a pawn of Speaker-emeritus Willie Brown, left much of the Democratic power structure of the Assembly intact and under Brown's control and shut out Republican members who had criticized her for making a deal with what the GOP saw as the devil. Setencich seems more willing to shift the balance of power in the Assembly more heavily into the Republican column.

If Setencich hopes to remain speaker in 1996, he will probably have to demonstrate an ability to placate Assembly Republicans. With Willie Brown leading the polls to become the next mayor of San Francisco, and with the possible recall of Doris Allen, Setencich's vote total drops from 41 to 39, not enough to maintain control of the 80-member Assembly. Furthermore, without a unified caucus, the GOP's hopes of holding on to their slim majority are marginal, and the Democratic Caucus would likely aim to oust Setencich for one of their own in 1996.

Constituents and grassroots leaders agree. "Brian needs to get his machine going and get people elected and build a coalition to secure his spot," said former Kern County GOP chairman Larry Starrh.

Some GOP leaders are cautiously optimistic about Setencich publicly. "If (Setencich) is someone who learns from other people's mistakes, he's sure had the opportunity to witness a whole bunch of them. Hopefully, he'll be a quick study," said stymied GOP caucus leader Jim Brulte. "Probably the best way for him to solidify his position is to actively fight for the (Republican) reforms that the Democrats have blocked all year long," said a spokesman from Governor Wilson's office, which had pressed Setencich not to accept the Assembly Democrats' offer.

Setencich's greatest asset might be his district. While both Doris Allen and Paul Horcher alienated their constituencies by dealing with Willie Brown and the Democrats and were served with recall elections, Republicans acknowledge that an attempt to force a recall could more easily fail in Setencich's district, which is more moderate that Allen and Horcher's were.



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Brian Setencich (R-Fresno) is the new Speaker of the California Assembly.

In fact, the new speaker's greatest threat may come from the same 39 Democrats who voted for him. The 30th Assembly District has been targeted by the Democrats as a vulnerable district, and they may direct caucus money to defeat the very person they elected.

One interesting item to note is that the chaos that characterized the 1995 session can be attributed in large part to the passage of Proposition 140 in 1990, which mandated term limits for Assembly members. Two-thirds of the 1991-92 Assembly has left, including former GOP floor leaders Ross Johnson and Bill Jones, who have moved either up or out.

While Brian Setencich has been in Sacramento nine months, Willie Brown had been an Assemblyman for well over a decade before he was elected speaker. If the authors of Proposition 140 intended to make a change in the way the legislature operates, they succeeded. Whether that change is a positive one depends, in large part, on how Brian Setencich performs in 1996.

Unabomber manifesto published

By GARY MATTA
HORNET STAFF WRITER

In a controversial move Monday evening, the *Washington Post* and the *New York Times*, facing a deadline imposed by the Unabomber and upon the recommendation of FBI officials and Attorney General Janet Reno, announced their decision to yield to the Unabomber's demand for the complete publication of his 35,000-word manifesto.

The manifesto, in accordance with the Post and Times announcement, was published in the Tuesday edition of the *Washington Post* as an eight-page insert.

The manifesto outlines what the Unabomber believes is wrong with current society. Previously published excerpts from the manifesto outline the Unabomber's plan to incite a revolution to destroy the base of technology and other industry that exists in the United States. The Unabomber believes in a return to a simpler way of life, free from the trappings of modern society.

The joint venture to publish the manifesto has been done at an approximate cost of $30,000 to $40,000, the *Sacramento Bee* reported Tuesday. The costs are ones that both the *Washington Post* and the *New York Times* have agreed to share. The decision to publish in the *Post*, rather than the *Times*, was made due to the *Post*'s ability to handle the printing as an eight-page insert. It is the belief of both newspapers that the underlying humanistic need to prevent any further bombings heavily outweighs the financial setbacks associated with the publishing of the manifesto.

The Unabomber, a fugitive who has been at large since his first terrorist act in the 1978, has killed three people and injured 23 others in 16 mail bombings. The Unabomber is believed to be a male in his 40's and possibly residing in Northern California, perhaps specifically in the Sacramento region. FBI investigations have continued, thanks in part, to recently published excerpts of the Unabomber's manifesto in several newspapers. The publication of the excerpts have resulted in several possible leads, which the FBI is following up.

Washington Post publisher Donald E. Graham, in an interview Monday evening, reassured that, "Neither paper has any journalistic reason to print this." In a statement released to the press, Graham revealed the reason for publishing the manifesto. "It's difficult to put complete faith in the word of someone with the record of violence that the Unabomber has. But the best advice available, from the FBI and others, is that the Unabomber may well not bomb again if his material is published," he said.

Arthur Sulzberger, publisher of the *New York Times*, echoed Graham's sentiments in a statement published in Tuesday's *Sacramento Bee*. "Whether you like it or not, we're turning our pages over to a man who has murdered people. But I am convinced we're making the right choice between bad options," he said.

The publishing of the manifesto came after the Unabomber imposed a three-month deadline, in which he promised to stop the bloodshed if his manifesto were published by one of the two papers, and if three annual messages were also published.

As of the manifesto's printing, no plans had been made for the publishing of the annual messages. The decision to publish was further made at the recommendation of both Janet Reno and FBI Director Lois J. Freeh in the name of public safety.

While the decision to publish the Unabomber's manifesto was a difficult one, both papers agree that it was done in an attempt to balance journalistic and humanitarian needs.

The *Washington Post*, in a move to circumvent any belief of surrendering to the whims of any future terrorists, further reiterated its policy of working close with law enforcement whenever any similar demands are made and labeled this situation as a unique one.

Since the publishing of the manifesto, there has been increased demand for copies of Tuesday's *Washington Post*. Around Sacramento, all copies had been sold as of Wednesday, but more copies will be shipped into the area by the end of the week, said a salesperson for Tower Books on Watt Avenue. In a further effort to meet the demand, the *Washington Post* has set up an 800 number for people to call, to request copies of Tuesday's edition of the paper, along with the insert of the Unabomber's manifesto.

Democrats blast student aid cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats and student groups on Tuesday criticized a Senate Republican proposal to cut $10 billion from student loan programs, in part by shortening a six-month grace period after college.

But Sen. Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kan., chairwoman of the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee, defended the proposal, saying it spread the impact of cuts among banks and lending firms, colleges and parents while only minimally affecting students.

"I feel it was the best we could come up with, frankly. My first goal was not to raise the cost to students if we could avoid it," Kassebaum said.

The plan would reduce to four months the grace period that students get before they must begin repaying federally guaranteed loans.

It "strikes at the heart of our federal commitment to higher education," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

Democrats, led by President Clinton, have seized on student aid as a way to pummel Republican attempts to balance the federal budget. The seven-year Republican blueprint to cut the deficit called for the $10 billion cut in student loan programs.

Kassebaum's plan also would cut the amount the government pays to the private agencies and banks that administer student loans. And it would charge a new fee to colleges, based on the volume of their students' loans.

Clinton lauds manifesto decision

MIAMI (AP) — President Clinton said the New York Times and the Washington Post acted correctly in deciding to publish the manifesto of the Unabomber terrorist.

"I applaud them," Clinton told WTAE in Pittsburgh, an ABC affiliate, in a satellite interview while here on a campaign swing.

He told the television station that both news organizations acted "in a good and brave way" and added that he supported Attorney General Janet Reno's recommendation to the papers that they publish the document.

Deputy White House press secretary said the White House would have no further comment.

House votes to cut D.C. city budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House subcommittee voted Tuesday to cut the municipal budget of the nation's capital by $149 million, phase out its rent control and privatize its hospital, sewage plant and prison.

The District of Columbia subcommittee of the House Appropriations approved most of a 40-point plan by its chairman, Rep. Jim Walsh, R-N.Y., to cap the city's spending at well less than the $5 billion set earlier by a congressionally established financial control board.

"If we want to stand back with kid gloves and not lay our hands on the problems of the District of Columbia then we're shirking our constitutional responsibilities," Walsh said.

The legislation would cap the combined federal payment and retirement fund contribution to the district at $712 million. It also would

—Slash the annual salaries of the 11-member school board from $30,000 to $5,000 stipends, cut about 20 staffers to leave two full-time clerical assistants for the board.

—Repeal rent control as apartments become vacant.

—Prohibit the city from paying unemployment benefits to seasonal workers such as school cafeteria employees.

—Prohibit the spending of federal funds for abortions in all cases except rape, incest or danger to the mother;

—Eliminate double cost of living increases for retired D.C. teachers, police and firefighters to conform with federal practices;

—Mandate privatization of the city's prison in Lorton, Va., Blue Plains Sewage Treatment Plant, D.C. General Hospital and ten percent of the city's schools.

District officials, led by Mayor Marion Barry and House Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, said the proposal guts home rule by trespassing into local issues and leaving citizens without legal recourse.

The full Appropriations Committee is scheduled to act on the bill next week. The financial control board was established after congressional auditors predicted the D.C. government could run as much as a $722 million deficit.

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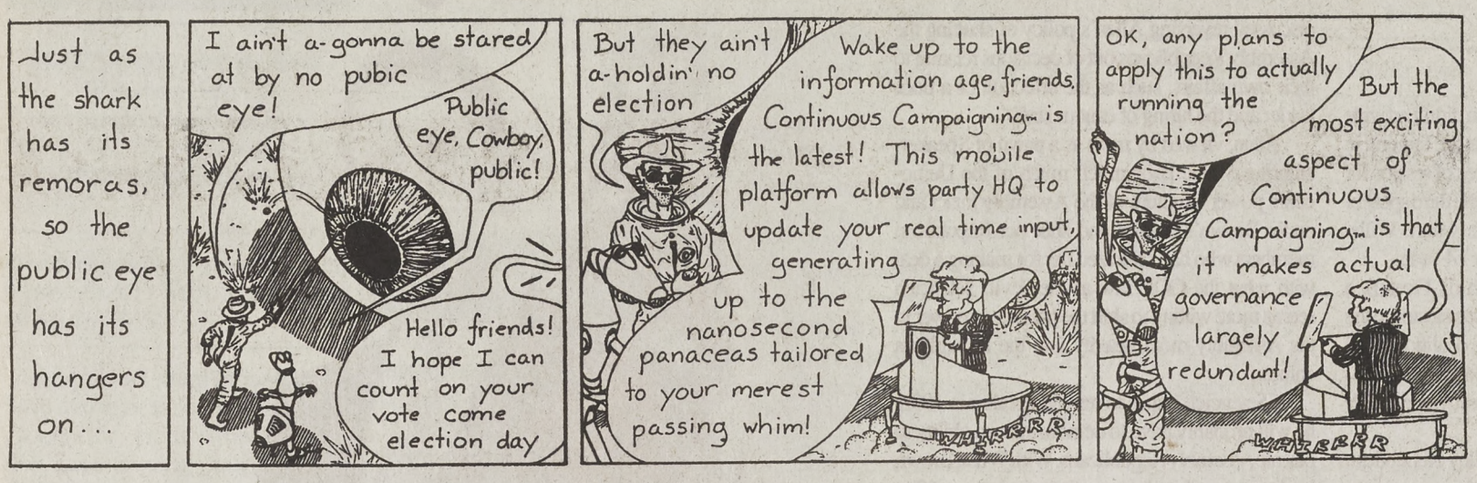

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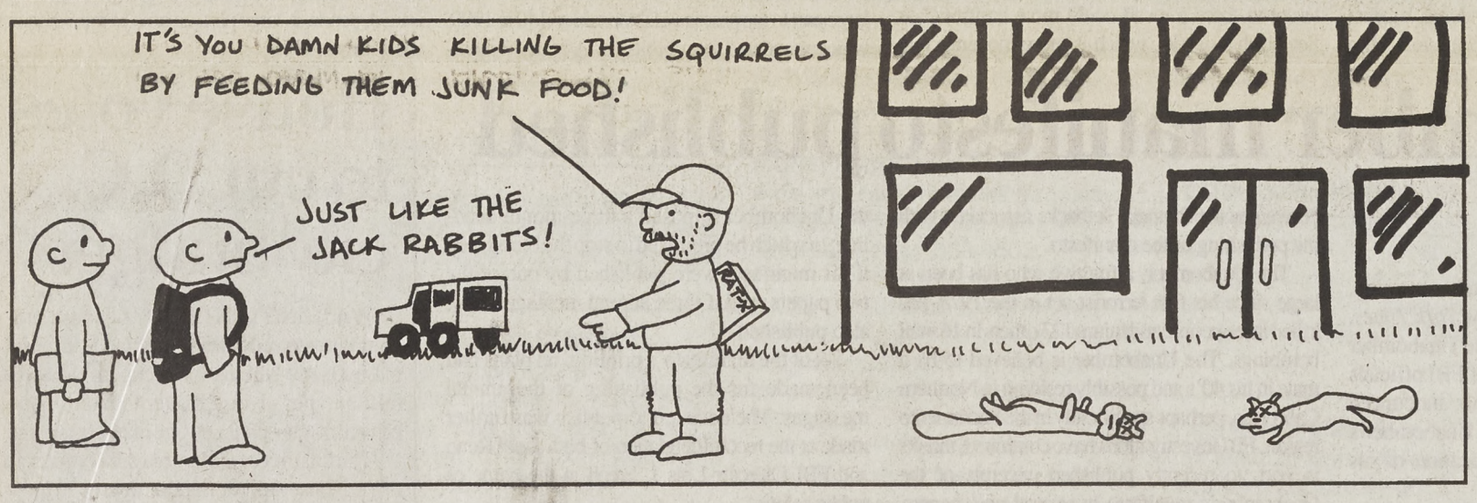

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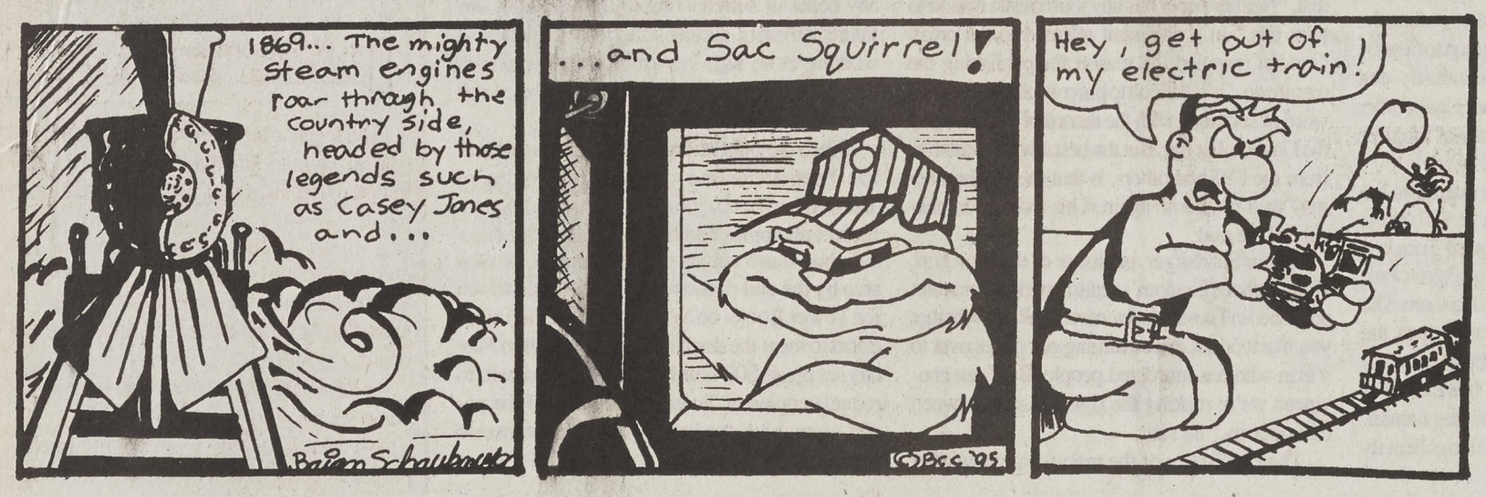

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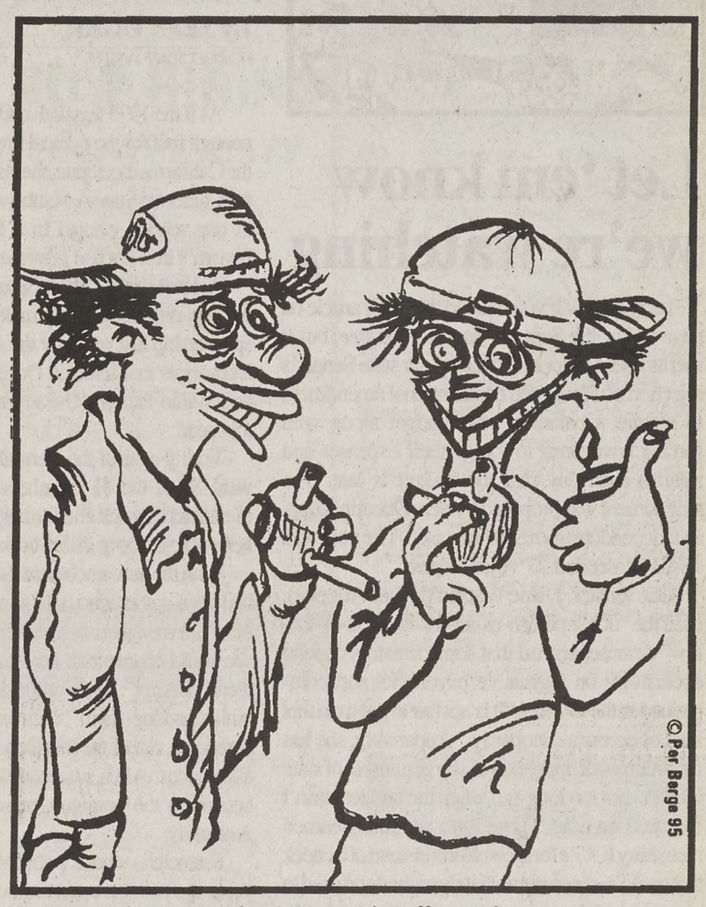

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9. Don't want any unexpected packages.
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5. Your journalism prof. wrote it.
4. Erica didn't write her story.
3. You like the word manifesto.
2. He said pretty please with sugar on top.
1. Tick, Tick, Tick!